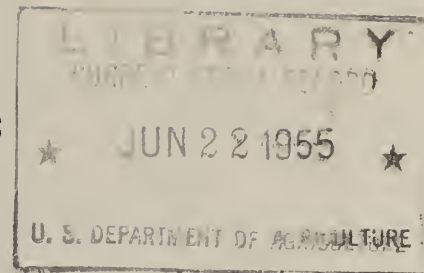


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ADE BRANCH MEMORANDUM NO. 507.12

To : All ADE Branch Stations
From : R. J. Anderson, Chief of Branch
Subject : Cleaning and Disinfecting of Vehicles and Facilities

I PURPOSE

During the next six months from date of issue, unless rescinded because of new outbreaks of vesicular exanthema, or failure to maintain clean vehicles and facilities, requirements of B.A.I. Order 383 (Revised), section 76.35, paragraphs (b) and (c) are hereby suspended.

II POLICY

Recognizing the favorable situation existing for some time with no outbreaks of the disease in most sections of the country, the requirements for cleaning and disinfecting of vehicles before each use, and cleaning and disinfecting of feed, water and rest stations each week, are being suspended.

It is emphasized that such vehicles and facilities are subject to the provisions of paragraphs (a) and (d) of B.A.I. Order 383 (Revised). Veterinarians in charge and other inspectors representing the Branch are instructed to work diligently with trucking companies, railroads, and other transportation agencies so that such vehicles and facilities used in interstate shipment of swine will be kept clean, with prompt removal and disposal of manure and litter. Any bedding used must be clean.

Any evidence of lack of attention to proper cleanliness of vehicles and facilities must be brought promptly to the attention of responsible transportation and yard officials for appropriate improvement. In case the improvement is not effected, it should be brought to the attention of this office.

The Branch Area Directors will give specific attention to this matter in their field travel.

R. J. Anderson

